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Sir:

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated September 9, 2004 (Paper No. 18). Concurrently filed with this Amendment are copies of Information Disclosure Statements filed May 4, 2004 and June 10, 2004 along with copies of the stamped postcards. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: